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SUBJECT: CANADA CONSIDERING U.S. CANDIDATE FOR EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN

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¶1. (SBU) According to Deputy Director of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) Division for Inter-American Relations Leonard Beaulne, Canada will give "strong consideration" to the U.S. candidate for the Inter-American Commission of Women's (CIM) Executive Committee. He commented that a number of DFAIT decisions have been on hold pending the recent Canadian election and formation of a new government; new Foreign Minister Lawrence Cannon took office only on October 30.

¶2. (U) Clare Bekton, Coordinator in DFAIT's Office for the Status of Women, will likely lead the Canadian delegation to the CIM Assembly of Delegates in Santiago, Chile from November 10-12, Beaulne added.

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